

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE TECHNICIAN / AGR ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

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Class "A" Uniform Requirement for Casualty Assistant Duty

- 1. The California Army National Guard is committed to providing timely and effective casualty assistance to next of kin, and it is a requirement that all casualty notifications be accomplished by soldiers in their Class "A" uniform (AR 600-8-1). As such, all AGR soldiers in the grade of E7 to 04 will have a Class "A" uniform available at their duty location.
- 2. The current worldwide deployments of our soldiers and the ongoing requirements of the Global War on Terror have resulted in a substantial increase in statewide casualty operations. The Army Division G1, Medical Services Branch, coordinates statewide casualty operations with the Army Casualty Command. Upon receipt of casualty missions, the Medical Services Branch contacts our full-time AGR soldier (grade E7 and above) who are located closest to the place of proposed notification of the next of kin.
- 3. Since the daily work uniform for many of our AGR soldiers is BDU's or Class "B," soldiers often have to drive home to change into the Class "A" uniform. In several instances, it has been necessary to seek an alternate notifier due to the anticipated time delay exceeding one hour for soldiers to obtain their uniforms. Casualty operations are extremely time sensitive, and every effort must be made to reduce delays in notification of next of kin.
- 4. For duty assignment and training information please contact SGM McDuff at CAGNET 64222 or McduffRicharL@ca.ngb.army.mil.

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